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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on September 29, 2003. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction between allegedly distinct inventions identified by the Examiner as Group I (claims 1-48, 123-147, 148 and 151), said to be drawn to a conversion coating composition including a cobalt/valence stabilizer complex and classified in class 106, subclass 14.05; Group II (claims 49-77 and 149), said to be drawn to a method of making a corrosion inhibiting conversion coating and classified in class 423, subclass 138; and Group III (claims 78-122 and 150), said to be drawn to a method of applying a corrosion inhibiting conversion coating and classified in class 148, subclass 243. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to have the claims of Group I examined on the merits.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance.
The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to resolve efficiently any
formal matters or to discuss any aspects of the application or of this response.
Otherwise, early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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